

where the line converged with a white line from the opposite side, a conspicuous white patch. In the spring of 1918 I watched this drake emerge from its eclipse plumage and noted that while the white line and patch on the nape were on the new feathers they were not as definitely white as I had recollected the markings of the previous summer. When the drake made its moult during the fall of 1918 I again kept an interested watch on its plumage changes. It appeared in its new dress of feathers *without* either the white line over the eye or the patch on the nape of the neck, and up to the time of its death, the latter part of April, 1919, it was, when in full nuptial plumage not to be distinguished from any ordinary Blue-winged Teal in high feather.

It might be stated that this "neektie teal," to use a term I had never heard until I saw it in Mr. Kennard's paper, was the sole survivor of a flock of seven Blue-wings held in the cage, four females and three drakes. The two other drakes at no time exhibited any indication of the curious white markings and died while the "neektie teal" was still in its curious plumage — from which it afterwards molted.—STANLEY CLISBY ARTHUR, *Dept. Conservation, New Orleans, La.*

**Trumpeter Swan (*Olor buccinator*) in Western Minnesota. A Correction.**— I recorded the capture of a beautiful adult male of this species (see 'Auk,' Vol. XIII, page 78), which I have discovered is only the more common species the Whistling Swan (*Olor columbianus*). This specimen together with an adult female secured at Aitkin, Minnesota, ten years later, are now in the Natural History Survey Collection, University of Minnesota, at Minneapolis.—ALBERT LANO, *Fayetteville, Arkansas.*

**Wild Swan on Long Island, N. Y.**— Mr. John L. Lawrence, while duck shooting off Doctor's Point, on Narrow Bay, between Smith's Point and Moriches, at Mastie, Long Island, saw, on November 5, 1919, one swan, a cygnet, about 150 yards away, flying east. The next day, November 6, one adult swan and one cygnet, came into the duck decoys and stayed there some time, swimming slowly around, feeding, within thirty yards.

On November 8, two swans, both adults, came within 100 yards, circled around the blind, and then settled in the water some distance away.

It seems to me that the record is worth noting in 'The Auk,' as wild swan on long Island are most unusual.—NEWBOLD T. LAWRENCE, *Lawrence, Long Island, N. Y.*

**Notes on Some Shore Birds of the Alabama River, Montgomery County, Ala.**— On Saturday, September 20, 1919, accompanied by a friend who is both a hunter and a naturalist, I made a trip of several miles down the Alabama River from the city of Montgomery for the purpose of collecting fall migrants then numerous in this region. The Alabama River is formed of the Coosa and the Tallapoosa and is a navigable stream from Montgomery to Mobile. It is a noble stream with high wooded banks.